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APPARATUS AND METHOD

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated March 24, 2006 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 5-25.

- (X) A timely response to the final rejection has been filed.
- (X) The extension fee of \$510.00 for a (3) month extension of time is submitted with the attached Petition for Extension of Time.
- (X) The Appeal Fee of [] \$500.00 (other than Small Entity) [X] \$250.00 (Small Entity)
 - (X) is enclosed
 - () is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. The original and two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- (X) Small entity status of this application is established by the verified statement under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 which
 - () is enclosed.
 - (X) has been previously submitted.

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0 The Appeal Fee is not required since it was paid in a prior appeal.

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